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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

~~Systems, methods, and circuits~~ Circuits for shortening a rise time of a load include a main pulse transformer coupled to a load, an auxiliary pulse transformer coupled to the load, and a diode connected between the auxiliary pulse transformer and the main pulse transformer. and/or ~~reduce ringing of a pulse.~~ The [[A]] main pulse transformer generator delivers a main pulse to the [[a]] load through a main pulse transformer. The [[An]] auxiliary pulse transformer generator delivers an auxiliary pulse during a first portion of the main pulse to charge the a stray capacitance associated with the load. The diode isolates the auxiliary pulse transformer from the main pulse. By charging the ~~stray~~ capacitance in this manner, a rise time of the main pulse is shortened and ringing of the main pulse on the load is reduced.